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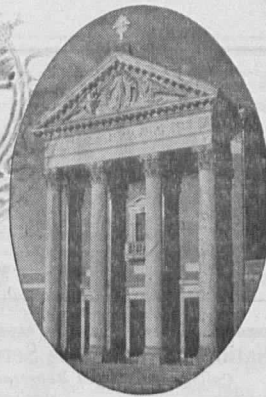
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# THE TOMAHAWK

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## Student Government Due To Arrive At H. C. After Christmas Vacation

Faculty Approves Constitution; Elections Of Officers, Representatives Set for '48

By ROBERT J. LEARY

"Student Government" is a term which up until now has been foreign to the vocabulary of Holy Cross. It will soon be a very important phrase in our everyday conversation, however, for a Student Congress for student government is to be inaugurated here in the very near future.

This development is one that has been backed enthusiastically by the student body. Such a movement has long been a vital factor in the lives of many Catholic colleges.

The plan for student government at Holy Cross was started by Bill Connell, now a member of the Senior Class. He acted with the guidance of the National Federation of Catholic College Students.

Elections after Christmas

Elections were conducted here last spring for framers of the Constitution for a Student Congress. Each corridor elected one man, and those elected worked hard and unselfishly to draw up the document. Recently it has been given the wholehearted approval of the faculty. A few minor changes remain to be made. Initial elections for the officers and representatives of the Congress will be held as soon as possible after the Christmas vacation.

The Constitution itself is very well drawn up. It establishes the Congress as the official representative of the student body, with the duty of furthering the student's best interests.

One of the most important provisions of the Constitution is that which

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## Sectional Clubs Plan Yule Hops

Seven Hotels, Country Clubs Set to Dispense Good Will to H.C. Men

By TOM RYAN

"Twas the night before Christmas" will, in all probability be contorted to, "Twas the night around Christmas and all through the dance . . ." come next January 5th, when most of the vacation revelers return with stories of their Yuletide doings. From the response to the announcements of various sectional club dances, it is evident that Xmas '47 will be far from a social failure for most H. C. men. From New York to Boston . . . seven such gatherings have progressed as far as the "ticket" stage.

The Metropolitan Club of New York hangs its decorations on the 29th December at the Manhattan Room of the Hotel Pennsylvania. Amidst a professional Christmas layout, Harry Arnold and his orchestra will play for the two hundred and fifty couples expected. Door prizes have been arranged for the "dates" and Frank Cullen has been busy lining up some personalities to appear along with John DiGangi. Tickets are selling in Rooms 232 Carlin, 119 Beaven, 223 Alumni and 307 Wheeler . . . all for \$3.66.

Christmas in Boston may be dull but December 29th the Holy Cross Undergraduate Club promises to lend a big night with their Annual Winter Social. The committee, headed by Al Sheehy has worked furiously to produce a dance that would equal the B. C. Victory Dance of only a month ago. Baron Hugo, featuring vocalist Buddy Welcome will furnish the music at the Hotel Commander in Cambridge.

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## FRENCH CLUB HOLDS PARTY

Elections and Carols Follow Buffet Lunch

The annual Christmas party of the Cercle Ozanam was held Wednesday afternoon in the small cafeteria in Kimball Hall. Thanks to Father Rector, a delicious buffet lunch was enjoyed, followed by a business meeting and carol singing.

Election of officers for the current year was conducted by Gerard Martel, president of the Cercle. Joe O'Connor was re-elected treasurer, Gerry St. Denis was elected secretary, replacing Tom Morris who graduates in February, and John Walsh became vice-president replacing Roy Riel. A new policy was introduced with the election of a program committee led by Paul Larkin as chairman and in-

cluding Bill Barber, Fran Ogazalek and Ed Reardon.

The first meeting of the 1948 season will have Mr. Roger Lepoutre of Assumption College as guest speaker. A native Frenchman who spent last year studying in France, he will give a first hand account of "College Life in France." All interested students are invited to attend.



VERY REV. WILLIAM J. HEALY, S.J.  
Host at Christmas Banquet

## BANQUET TO FETE FR. SULLIVAN, S.J.; CHOIR TO CAROL

A Christmas tree, et al, will change the interior of Kimball Hall for the Annual Student - Faculty Christmas Banquet, tomorrow night. Rev. Fr. Rector will attend as the guest of honor and deliver his Christmas message to the Student body with the traditional intimate Yuletide spirit.

The affair will be tendered to Fr. Joseph Sullivan, S.J., in honor of his twenty years spent here at Holy Cross. Fr. Sullivan will be introduced by the Dean, Fr. Fitzgerald, and will say a few words to the boys he knows so well.

The popularly established Crusaders will entertain with their various

*The Jesuit Community joins me in extending heartfelt best wishes to all the Students for a Holy, Happy Christmas and New Year. You will be remembered in our Christmas Masses and our prayers will be that the Divine Child of Bethlehem will bring to you and yours His Christmas gift of peace in the pledge of God's unfailing Providence and Love.*

*William J. Healy S.J.*

## DRAMATIC SOCIETY'S "TAVERN" SCORES HIT ON OPENING NIGHT

Ray Kircher, John Moynagh, Gene Reilly, and Ann Owens Handle Difficult Parts With Ease

## Orchestra, Glee Club In Concert

Archbishop Sponsors First of Season for Carney Hospital Fund

The Holy Cross Musical Clubs, under the direction of Prof. J. Edward Bouvier, M.A., opened their 1947-48 season last Friday with an evening of good music for listening and dancing. Most Rev. Richard J. Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, sponsored the concert, which was given at the Mary E. Curley School in Jamaica Plain for the benefit of the Carney Hospital Building Fund.

The Philharmonic Orchestra and the Glee Club opened the program with "Hoiah, Holy Cross," after which the orchestra presented the overture from "Orpheus." "Begin the Beguine," by Cole Porter, was among a group of three selections next presented by the Glee Club. Other universal favorites on the program included "Jalousie," "Moonbeams," and a medley of Cole Porter songs.

Soloists for the evening were Santo S. Cataudella, '49, Joseph J. Murphy, '50, and William H. Monahan, '51, who displayed a rich tenor voice in his rendition of "Agnus Dei."

Archbishop Honored

During intermission Archbishop Cushing was presented with a plaque bearing the seal of Holy Cross College, in recognition of his outstanding charitable work. Following this presentation, the archbishop gave each member of the Musical Clubs a silver rosary.

At the close of the concert the near-capacity crowd moved from the auditorium to the gym, where the Crusaders dance orchestra took over the entertainment duties until after midnight.

## Final Performance In Fenwick Tonite

By JACK HEALY

Monday night of this week marked the opening of the Holy Cross Dramatic Society's production of George M. Cohan's immortal farce, "The Tavern". The Dramatic Society of Worcester State Teachers College contributed the very talented young ladies who played the feminine roles.

"The Tavern", since its birth on Broadway, has always been a hit if well staged, due to the light, amusing, almost melodramatic tenor of its humor. The play revolves around the extreme personalities of its characters while the plot is comparatively of little importance. Although the characters are slightly exaggerated, they cleverly present to the audience a picture of familiar personalities often seen on the stage of the world. It was the cast's ability to play these difficult roles well, that gained them their just success.

Unrestrained Enjoyment

The months which the players spent preparing for the production of this boisterous comedy bore fruit in the definite success of the performance Monday night. The enthusiasm and ease with which the cast played their roles added immensely to the unrestrained enjoyment of the play.

A typical roadside tavern is the scene of the action of the delightful drama. The principal character is an enigmatic wanderer who imagines that he is not a part of the world. Ray Kircher gave an admirable portrayal of this laughing, baffling vagabond as he amused himself with the comic opera played on the stage of the world. The tavern-keeper is a robust gentleman whose provincial outlook cannot quite comprehend the crowd that ultimately gathers within his doorway.

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## Juniors Want to Know: "Where Is Organization of Class of 1949?"

With completion of Senior class elections and the organization of that group into a smoothly functioning peace time tradition that will be truly representative of Holy Cross, the question arises—where is the Junior class?

A year ago this time the Class of '48 was organized extensively and the junior class was aware that it was functioning as a class should. This year however, the Class of '49 is aware that they are juniors only because they are attending philosophy classes. Officers, functions and development of the junior class are still matters for conjecture.

However slow the time might seem to go, the Christmas holidays are now

here and the year is half over for all practical purposes. It might now occur to some member or two of the Class of '49 that this is the year of the class ring and Junior Prom.

It also might occur that it would be nice to know when class officers are to be elected. These officers could fulfill those duties of committee appointments for functions such as the Junior Prom with the full knowledge and consent of the whole class. Up to this time the extent of class meetings has been restricted to the eight periods that commence daily except Sunday, from 8:40 to 5:20.

This week, the ring committee of the Class of 1949 has announced that

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## THOUGHTS ON CHRISTMAS

The bell signaling the end of second period Saturday will be the most welcome note heard on the Hill since we chugged up Linden Lane way back there in September. For it will mark the commencement of the Christmas season for us . . . and, incidentally, two weeks of less-restricted jurisdiction. For the most part it will be a sojourn of gaiety consisting of sectional club dances, various local parties, sleigh-rides, family revivals ad infinitum. Christmas trees will sparkle with multi-colored lights and silver tinsel. Ornately-wrapped gifts will be eyed with speculation until Christmas Day and then ripped open with juvenile glee. Sumptuous feasts, boasting every kind of meat (exc. ham) will be prepared and devoured by us lovers of home-cooked meals.

In our festivities, though, there lurks that danger that we may ignore the more profound meaning of the day. In many homes it has already been forgotten. The almighty dollar has filled the inn of many hearts and the Christ Child relegated to the stable of the Christmas card. Even good old Saint Nicholas must sit uneasy on his man-made throne when the brilliance of its gold blinds us to the merit of the crib.

In Christmas is the birth of our Redemption. On Christmas Day we celebrate the birth of the Saviour for whom the world waited and whom the world is now forgetting. In our homes and in our hearts keep sacred the memory of the Christ Child which is the very soul of Christmas.

## BARREN OR BOUNTIFUL

Once again the oft quoted axiom "As you sow, so shall you reap" comes to bear on our life here on the hill. In these four years we sow the seeds of our learning on the field of our character. How great then the importance that we scrupulously shelter and nurture this field lest a crop arise grotesque in growth, barren in fruit.

Attitudes and values are the seeds, and hence misconception and misjudgment, unless guarded against can be part of the crop. On this attitude a few words can be said toward the popularly phrased B. T. O. A temptation to overemphasize position, overvalue social recognition is, to say the least, possible. We are not condemning legitimate leadership. It is indeed praiseworthy and a goal for all to seek. Nonetheless, the temptation to lead and be recognized, based on a misjudgment of the value of that leadership, can grow to be an obsession with some; can grow to be an obsession so intense that ideals and a proper sense of values will be cast aside should they block any path leading, right or wrong, to social eminence. Thought, then, is warranted on the matter; thought that can lead to the destruction of this misconception before it gains a hold. Scholarship, morality, character, and virtue, receive few medals, little applause, less social recognition; but herein lies true leadership, a firstness which surpasses any capacity for social or athletic recognition, a leadership clothed many times in the shroud of social insignificance.

## A Career In Social Action

REV. JOHN F. CRONIN, S.S., '27

No. 12 in a Series

Author, professor, pioneer in the field of social action, Dr. John J. Cronin, S.S., '27, sets a high standard for our students to emulate. One wonders how he accomplishes his multifarious tasks. Assistant Director of the Department of Social Action of N.C.W.C.; Director of the Institute of Catholic Social Studies at Catholic University; lecturer from coast to coast on social and interfaith questions, national broadcaster on the Catholic hour, winner of one of the Pabst Post-War Employment awards, permanent arbitrator for the clothing industry in Baltimore, author of economic text-books, these should make a full life for any ambitious aspirant. Yet with the simplicity of true worth, Father Cronin still retains his boyish enthusiasm, and with Christ-like zeal ever seeks new means to spread the kingdom of God. Fittingly, Alma Mater graced him with the laurel of Doctor of Social Science in June 1947. Professor, patriot, priest, this gifted son of Holy Cross, shows the true way of Catholic Action to the Crusaders of to-day, the leaders of to-morrow.

Normally when we think of a career, we are concerned with an occupation which will bring us a good living. We wish to be happy in it, but also to be paid enough to support a family in comfort. No one who is not independently wealthy thinks of a career which may cost money and effort, and which may not bring in many immediate satisfactions. In fact, something more than wealth may be needed to induce the ordinary man to undertake a hard and thankless task. He must be something of a crusader. He must be a man of vision and courage.

The field of social action offers such a challenge. Ordinarily one does not earn money by trying to bring about a better social order. There may be exceptions to this statement. Labor mediators and arbitrators are paid. Some men get good political positions in their effort to make society more livable. At times priests are assigned to such work as part of their clerical duties. But as a rule, social action is not a paying vocation. For most men it must be an avocation.

### SOCIAL PROBLEMS CRITICAL

Yet there are compelling reasons why many of us should give serious thought to a career in social action, even though it be added to our regular work in life. In the first place, the problems of the day are critical. There is no need to belabor the urgency of international questions. It is equally evident that the social question is intertwined with political and military considerations in current foreign events. At the same time, domestic problems of great complexity face us. We are suffering an inflationary boom which could prove disastrous. Internal struggles threaten our national unity at a time when we should all be pulling together. Divisions between capital and labor, farm and city, and taxpayer and government are increasing rather than the reverse.

These problems affect everyone. Unfortunately, this often means that no one is properly concerned. We cannot remain indifferent to them. But we may view them from the narrow aspect of our short-range interests and forget broad common welfare. We may see immediate issues and overlook long-term considerations which are much more important. The result is the generation of group pressures and class conflicts which may disrupt national life.

### SOCIAL PROBLEMS THREAT TO DEMOCRACY

Modern society may be compared, in its complexity, to a high speed airplane. It is more efficient, more glamorous, but also more vulnerable to breakdown. When the ox-cart broke down, its occupants patiently sat by the side of the road and repaired it. But when a serious accident happens to a plane in flight, its passengers often perish. Likewise in earlier times, social dislocations tended to be isolated. They could usually be settled without a major upheaval. Today it is different. Trouble in one region could fan into a world conflict. Failure to solve certain major social problems could lead to a breakdown of democracy.

The world today thinks in extremes. If the social system fails to meet certain needs, there is an immediate cry for socialism or even communism. This begets its counter-movement in the form of a stand-pat defense of the status quo. Thus men seem to be offered only a choice between evils. On the principle that distant pastures look greener, they usually pick the one that involves a change. Sometimes they regret the choice.

### MORE THOUGHT NEEDED

There is little superficial glamor in sanity. Moderation and common sense often lack dramatic appeal. But when we consider what extremism is doing to the present-day world, we can see the need for more thought and less glamor. We want more men with a total point of view, and fewer partisans. We can use more of the ethics and theology which teach men how to live, as well as the nuclear science which has been misused in creating weapons of death.

This is the challenge. It concerns every one of us. But there is still that troublesome adage that everyone's business becomes no one's concern. What is the connection

that makes this my career, even though it be an avocation? One point is that as college graduates, we are potential leaders. The world, even in a democracy, is generally ruled by leaders. The only difference is that we pick our leaders from our own midst. They are not chosen by blood or by the decision of a military clique.

### TRAINING MEANS OBLIGATION

A second consideration is that among the leaders of tomorrow's society, we have a code of conduct which is definite and all-embracing. This is a truism which we often hear, but do not always realize. The truths of religion and ethics are not objects for smug self-satisfaction; they are rather a duty and a burden imposed upon us. If we have had a fuller training than most, we have corresponding obligations of leadership.

A third point is that we must save society in our own self interest, and that of our families. When our home is threatened by fire or by an epidemic of robberies, we do not sit back and reflect that fire and police protection are general civic responsibilities. We take what immediate measures are within our power. Likewise we shall suffer if America loses its freedom and democracy because of failure to solve the social problem. It will be our personal loss. Its prevention should be our personal concern.

Such is the objective, but what are the means? How is the average college graduate to engage in social action? No single answer can be given for everyone. Much will depend upon circumstances and profession. But few are so isolated that they can do nothing at all.

### HONOR TO SERVE

All of us can exercise our duties as citizens of a democracy. This means more than voting for the better candidate in November. In regard to public office, it means constant vigilance at every stage of the selection of candidates. We should start by doing all within our power to raise the tone of government service. We would think it an honor to serve the nation or the community, so that the very best men should aspire for such positions. We should be vigilant in primaries as well as in elections. Even before the primary stage, if political machines are necessary, we should seek to influence them to consider general welfare as well as partisan gain.

Negatively we should avoid and condemn everything which lowers the tone of public life. This means a code of conduct based on high ideals. We should avoid graft and favoritism, even down to minor traffic ticket fixing. Honesty and integrity should govern our conduct, in dealings with the local policeman as well as with the President of the United States. Wise politicians tell us that politics are crooked and venal only because citizens are dishonest. If people did not pay for special favors or seek juicy, padded contracts, most political machines would starve to death in a short time. Here then is the first challenge of social action: positive interest in better public service, and a firm resolve never to acquiesce in any dereliction of civic duty.

### MUST DIRECT ELECTED OFFICIALS

But there is more to civic social action than selection of good officials. The duty of the citizen is to direct those who serve him. This means influence upon his elected officials in Washington, his state officials, and local office-holders. How often does the average citizen contact these representatives on matters which are not of immediate, personal, and selfish concern to him? Are we interested in sound interracial and intercultural relations, preventing juvenile delinquency, obtaining better housing, or setting up a local labor-management committee to promote industrial peace? Just what is our contribution to the common welfare?

Public social action is but a small segment of the field. Indeed, we hope that most of our problems can be solved without recourse to government. But if this is to be done, there may be need of a different attitude in our professions. Again, we may ask questions. What directs us in the choice of a profession or a field in which to exercise our profession? Are personal considerations so primary that we never consider the possibility of doing good along general lines? No Communist would take a job without weighing its potential in the way of community influence. Of course, we are not Communists. But who is really playing the smarter game?

### UNUSUAL COLLEGE REUNION

To potential college graduates, may we offer a suggestion for an unusual alumni reunion. On the tenth and twentieth anniversaries of graduation, we might replay a recording of the baccalaureate sermon, stressing the section which notes how well we are prepared for Christian leadership. Then one or two leaders from each profession might be called upon to state how their lives have shaped up in the light of these ideals. We do not mean personal conduct in the narrow sense. We take for granted that they are exemplary Catholics with a fine family life. But in their businesses and professions, how

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## The Phoenix

By JOSEPH E. ENGLISH

Christmas eve. Just before midnight. The desk clerk frowned at the tall young man.

"I'd like a room, sir."

He picked up some mail and began sorting it. "Sorry," he said, "we're all filled up."

"But so is every other place," the young man said, "and my wife . . ."

The clerk looked up angrily, but stopped. The young man was shivering; he had on the thinnest of coats. Over near the wall, standing with her eyes closed, was a small pretty woman. He saw her white face; he saw her condition.

"Six blocks north and two west," he said, "the John Fenton." He scribbled the name on a piece of paper, and a brief note.

"Thank you." Simple. Then they left.

The snow was ankle-high. The young man walked first, kicking a path for his wife. The night was cold and clear, like black ice. He listened to his wife's footsteps picking their way along in his path.

He felt the footsteps halt; he heard her moan.

"The subway entrance!" he said with his hands on her arms. "Quick."

See if you can make the subway entrance!"

Hilda Swenson was tired. Christmas preparations were exacting for a maid. Thank God the express was due soon.

What's wrong with that girl he's helping down the stairs?

Oh! Wait, I'm coming!

Aloysius Mahoney was ready to go off duty. He swung his nightstick with a nonchalance born of Christmas anticipation and gazed idly into the subway entrance as he walked by.

Holy smoke!

And he disappeared down into the earth.

Eddie Green prowled the night. On four wheels, in a yellow cab. He was a cool character, but when someone jumped out of a subway entrance and waved a flashlight beam into his taxi he hit the brakes so hard he nearly skidded into a hydrant.

What? Well, I'll be—! Coming right down, officer!

Later, when it was over, and the taxi driver had taken the three of

them to the City Hospital, and had brought the weary Hilda home and was driving the cop back to his precinct, he had a thought.

"That was a funny thing to happen tonight, wasn't it?" he said.

"I've been thinking the same thing," said Aloysius Mahoney.

"I mean, the baby being a boy and all," he said.

"Yeah. I know."

They both stared ahead, thinking. They both noticed outside the cold rows of great buildings, the neon lights, the late cars dashing here and there. Felt even the giant rumble of an occasional subway. "A funny thing," repeated the cop. "Even the city can't wall it out." The taxi driver was silent; he was watching, over the black mass of a tenement block, the white shine of a big, near star.

The Worcester Club Dance Committee will meet Friday at one o'clock in Room 50, Carlin.

## A CAREER IN SOCIAL ACTION

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have Christian ideals differentiated them from those who do not profess such standards? As business men, are they noted for ideal labor-management relations? Are they public officials of absolute integrity and broad vision? Do they as lawyers merely apply technical skill in doing what their clients desire, or do they exert a wholesome influence in their important world?

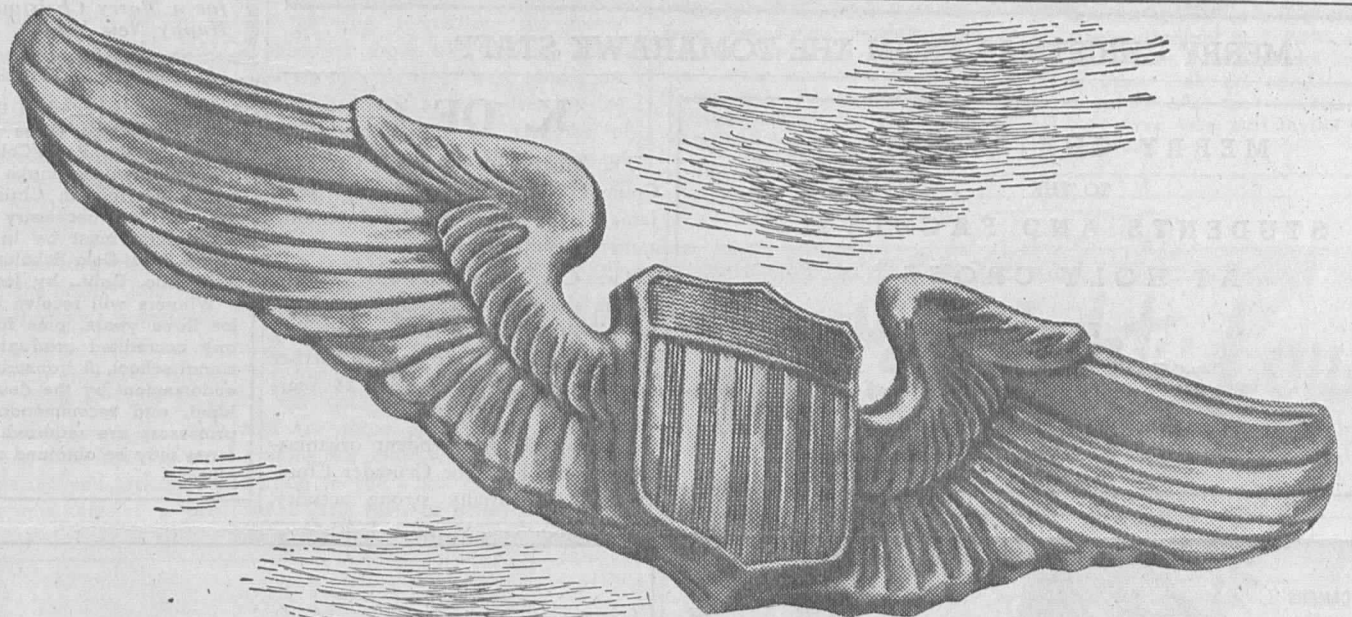
### PUBLIC CONFESSION

This adventure in public confession might be enlightening. Possibly it would also be quite edifying if we had accepted a few simple ideals in choosing our careers. With some of us, it may be possible to pick between several ways of life, and to decide upon one where we can make a maximum contribution to society. In other cases, circumstances may decide our profession, but we can have much to

The students and faculty of the college wish to extend their deepest sympathy to Daniel Moore, '51, on the death of his mother. She will be remembered in our prayers.

say about how we influence others in the course of our practice.

If we can make our goal the building of a better society, no matter where we may be or what we may do, we have chosen a career in social action. Outwardly we may be corporation lawyers, business executives, engineers, physicians or public officials. Technically we shall use the same tools as others in our work. But our spirit and goals will be different. We shall see our work, not merely as a means of personal and family advancement, but also as a Christian adventure. Our life will then be a challenging experience. We shall have left our impress upon the world, and it will be a better world because of it.



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MERRY CHRISTMAS  
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FROM

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## K. OF C.

The Knights of Columbus Crusader Council, located on Mount Saint James, is in the process of extending a membership campaign.

The Council, which was inactive during the war, was started again in Spring of 1946. It is now working under a five point program to further activities for Cross men of 18 years and over.

A relatively independent organization on the Hill, the Crusader Council is a potentially strong activity.

SODALITY RELIEF  
RAFFLE DRAWING  
THURSDAY AT 1 P. M.

The drawing of prizes for the raffle conducted by the Holy Cross Sodality will take place tomorrow at 1 o'clock in Kimball auditorium.

Pierce Connair and Tom Curtis will act as representatives of the resident and day students and will draw the names of the winners. Announcements will be posted on the Sodality bulletin board of the ticket holders.

Up until last night the total amount of money collected ranged close to \$1700. The drive has been a successful one and the first check has gone out for the Student Relief Drive conducted by the NFCCS.

Although John Murray, chairman of the drive, has been detained in Madrid, he will be present at the drawing if by chance he should return.

The staff of the TOMAHAWK wishes to extend to the faculty and students of the college, our subscribers and advertisers, best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Seniors interested in the 26 graduate fellowships to be awarded in March by the Pepsi-Cola Company are reminded to make application before leaving on Christmas vacation. All the necessary forms and information must be in the offices of the Pepsi-Cola Scholarship Board, Palo Alto, Calif., by January 2nd.

Winners will receive \$750 a year for three years, plus full tuition to any accredited graduate or professional school. A transcript of credits, endorsement by the dean and president, and recommendation of two professors are required. Application forms may be obtained at the dean's office.

## Student Gov't.

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## B.J.F. BOWS TO TECH FOR CUP

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In the final debate of the 1947 Worcester City Tournament last Wednesday night, the B. J. F. of Holy Cross bowed to the speakers of Worcester Tech and lost the city cup for this year, 3 to 2.

The current inter-collegiate topic, "Resolved, That a Federal World Government should be established" was upheld in the affirmative by Holy Cross. John Kallaugher and Richard Buellesbach were the Purple debaters.

By winning the decision Worcester Tech copped a new cup, second to be awarded in the four year old series. Holy Cross retired the first cup in 1946 by winning the tourney three consecutive years.

The B. J. F. journeyed to Burlington, Vermont where they debated Friday and Saturday nights at the University of Vermont. Buellesbach and Kallaugher plus George Guerinot and Henry Dickie upheld the affirmative on the same inter-collegiate topic. The Holy Cross teams debated Maine University, Syracuse, University of Vermont, University of New Hampshire, Dartmouth, West Point, Penn. State, and Bates. The Purple delegation mistakenly assumed the scholastic method for the first round. They were then told that they were being judged on the adaptability of immediate refutation. They quickly adjusted themselves to this method.

There is no announced list of winners as yet due to forty-five schools participating. Since the peace time schedule has resumed at Holy Cross the B. J. F. has won 58 out of 70 debates.

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—DON COLLINS

### Dramatics

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main. He is ever suspecting some villain but at times proves he can be quite amiable. John Moynagh plays the part of this bucolic gentleman with perfection and a finesse that is rarely equaled on college stages.

The truly excellent acting of the entire cast, the extreme coquetry of the Governor's daughter as portrayed by Ann Marie Owens and Gene Reilly's never-to-be-forgotten question, "What's all the noise?" combined to make the performance a real success.

After playing two successful nights the cast of "The Tavern" will make their final bow tonight at 8:15. Both nights they have packed Fenwick Auditorium to capacity and tickets for this final appearance are at a premium.

### Junior Class

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it has obtained the services of a certain ring manufacturer to take care of the '49 ring. Heretofore the greater number of those who will be proud wearers of such rings were totally unaware that such a committee existed. Furthermore, due to the tardiness of such an announcement some members of the class have already contacted persons in the book store relative to purchasing their rings from that source, and some have already purchased rings there.

It is a blessing to the class that a ring committee was arranged at all. But for the sake of those who were in the dark about the whole affair and for those of us who still are groping for some semblance of organization in the Class of 1948, we ask for a little light or better still . . . a class meeting. *The Junior Editors.*

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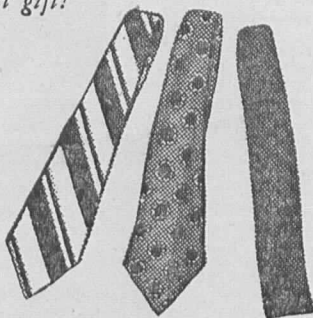


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## Christmas Dances

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bridge. Tickets go on sale tonight. Fire laws, however, have limited the number to a hundred . . . so the first ones to present \$2.40 at Rooms 131 Carlin, 330 Wheeler, 207 Wheeler or 378 O'Kane, will be first served.

A little to the North, Crossmen will meet on December 23rd at the Happy Valley Country Club in Lynn, when the North Shore Club trips the light fantastic at its Seasonal get together. Phil Higgins and his orchestra will supply the melodies . . . so all members will kindly supply \$4.20 to Rooms 109 Carlin, 316 Beaven or 347 Wheeler.

Down in Connecticut, the Hartford Undergraduate Club of Holy Cross will dance from "9 'til 1" at the Hedges in New Britain on the 26th. Gibson Woods will furnish the evening's music. In the sister city of New Haven, Holy Crossmen will assemble at the Racebrook Country Club on Saturday, the 27th. The committee

promises the semi-formal affair to be "one of the best". Over in Waterbury, the Crossmen have gone swank in their arrangements for a Formal at the Hotel Elton. Cliff Slaters has been engaged for the evening's music.

The Hotel Treat in Newark will accommodate the elite of the New Jersey Club at the Annual Formal, December 26th. The \$4.80 bids entitle the holder and the queen of his choice to display their terpsichorean artistry from 9 'til 9.

The boys we leave behind, organized as the Worcester Undergraduate Club, have set their night of revelry for December 29th. Fenwick Hall will assume the guise of a Totem Pole for the affair.

The Merrimack Valley Undergraduate Club of Holy Cross have planned to convene at the Merrimack Valley Country Club on the day after Christmas. Bids may be purchased for \$4.00 from any of the club members.

### SKI MOVIES

will be shown at the Outing Club meeting tonight at 7 P. M. in room 19 O'Kane. Members are reminded to bring their ski equipment back to school after the vacation so that they may take part in the various activities.

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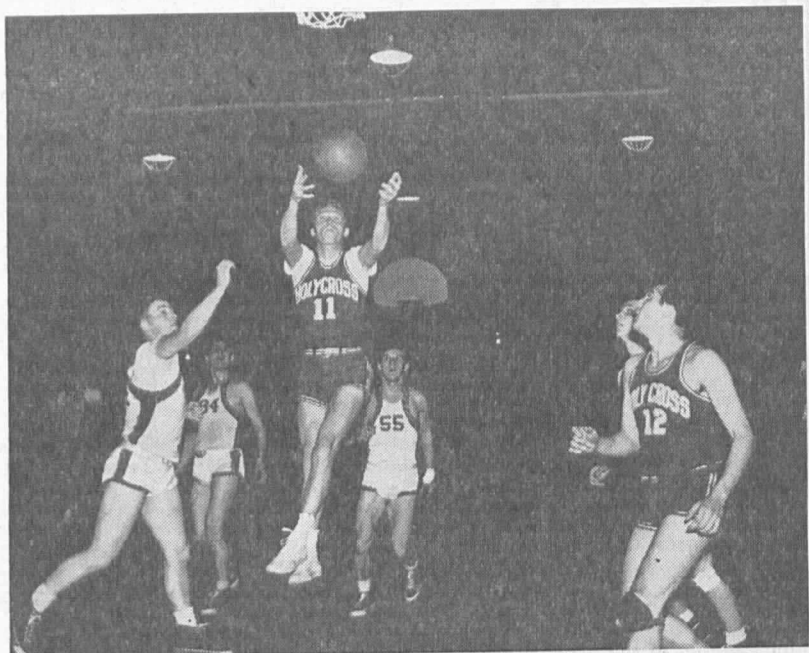
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Jumpin' Joe . . . Mullaney puts one up against Willimantic as Teachers gape in amazement. Kaftan waits, just in case.

## Crusaders Set New Record In 104-43 Romp Over Willimantic

**Kaftan, O'Connell Lead Way To New Scoring Mark For Purple In Warmup For Columbia.**

By LOU BUTTELL

Warming up for tonight's Ivy battle with Columbia, the point-hungry Crusader cagers fell on a hapless Willimantic Teacher quintet in the Connecticut city last Friday evening, racking up a record breaking 104-43 triumph. In stretching their two season victory string to 26, the Purple was paced to its third victory of the present campaign by last year's two highest scorers, George Kaftan and Dermie O'Connell who zinged the twines for 24 and 19 points respectively. Joe Mullaney and Bert Dolan also hit double figures for the Julianmen as everyone but forward Denny O'Shea among the HC subs joined in the mad scoring spree.

Tallying their first basket on the opening tapoff as Kaftan tipped the spheroid off to Cousy who flipped to the fast-cutting Mullaney for two points, the visitors were surprisingly on the short end of a 10-9 count at the five minute mark. It was only a matter of moments, however, before the defending NCAA champs had things under control and at the end

of ten they were off and running with a 26-12 lead. At halftime, the score read HC 39, Willimantic 16 and the coachless home team had counted only once on a layup play, depending on long hft or miss shots for its points.

With Dermie O'Connell putting on a scintillating display of shooting versatility, the Crusaders soared recordward as they upped the count to 57-16 after five minutes of the second half. The only consolation for the Teachers during the next fifteen minutes, outside of their quintet of vivacious cheerleaders, was the one handed shooting accuracy of right forward Kaminski who equalled Kaftan's total of twenty-four. Although Coach Doggie Julian had his first eight men on the bench during the final seven minutes, the score climbed rapidly toward the century mark, and with scarcely a minute to play, center Matty Forman retrieved a loose ball under the Willimantic hoop to put the Crusaders over the hundred-point mark for the first time in Holy Cross hoop history.

## PURPLE BEGINS TOUGH STRETCH WITH TILT AGAINST COLUMBIA

**Tonight's Fray Is Only Beginning of 5 Game Test Against Some of Nation's Top Clubs**

By JACK McNALLY

Starting with tonight's game in New York against Columbia, the Holy Cross basketball team is embarking upon as dangerous a five-game voyage as any club in the land would care to venture. If the boys can maintain their winning form throughout a majority of these contests, it is generally conceded that they will go on to turn in a season's performance rivalling last year's spectacular campaign.

Columbia, with its eight-game winning streak, is only the beginning but by no means a warm-up. Last year's Ivy League Champions still have big Walt Budko, the league's high scorer in that successful campaign, and they figure to be as determined an opponent as the Crusaders will meet. The Purple, on the other hand, would like very much to avenge the football injury which the Lions inflicted upon the Cross earlier this year.

**Dartmouth Will Be Tough**

As if that isn't enough trouble from the Ivy League, on Friday night the Crusaders meet the Big Green from

Dartmouth, a team which is supposed to be the biggest threat to Columbia's supremacy and picked by many for Ivy crown. They, too, sport an offensive gun in Lanky Ed Leede who was runner up for scoring honors in Ivy circles last year. This game has always been a thriller in which the underdog has had more than his share of success.

**Meet N. C. State in Sugar Bowl**

Then comes the Sugar Bowl game at New Orleans against the same North Carolina State team that inflicted a 16-point defeat upon the Crusaders during last year's disastrous Western trip. Needless to say, this will be one of the severest tests the Crusaders will have to undergo, and they will be particularly anxious to wipe last year's setback off the slate. State, however, still boasts the services of ace Ed Bartell as well as practically all of last year's squad and will be out to prove that last time was no fluke.

The game against St. Louis University on January 2 marks the first time the two clubs have met. This team,

## H.C. Sextet Hit By Graduation

**Johnson Lone Veteran On Informal Squad In Daily Practices**

By TOM HEWES

The Holy Cross informal hockey team has finally begun to take a definite shape as a result of the daily practice sessions held at Leesville Pond in Auburn. The starting sextet along with a second line has been chosen from among the nine veterans of last year's team and eight neophytes.

Graduation exacted a severe toll on the pucksters. Departed from the Purple hockey scene are such skating stalwarts as Don Bussiere, Paul Whitney, Jim Ronayne, and Jim Doherty. Replacements will be hard to find but freshmen Bob Morgan, Dave O'Neill, and Dave Bussiere show great promise.

Baseball Joe Cunnane, Paul McNamara, and Eddie Johnson, all products of the Greater Boston Hockey League, reputed to be the fastest schoolboy league in the country, have definitely assured themselves of a spot on the first line. Johnson is the lone holdover from last year's starting forward line which did so well in their first year of formal competition. Cunnane and McNamara saw much action with the second line.

A glance at the second line discloses veteran Jim Reilly teaming up with those two terrific freshmen prospects from Hudson High, Bob Morgan and Dave O'Neill. Both carry sparkling high school reputations to the Cross and should show to great advantage in the not too distant future.

Frank Igoe is a shoo-in for a wing position on the third line as three newcomers, Joe Tierney, Jack Twitchell, and Dave Bussiere, Don's younger brother, fight it out for the remaining two spots.

Defensemen Leo Troy and Tom Donovan return to form a strong outer defense in front of Jim O'Brien, a holdover goalie who has been so instrumental in the formation of the club.

Among those teams which have been added to the rapidly growing schedule are Suffolk University, Tufts, Assumption College and the Melrose Reds. Tufts finds itself in much the same informal situation as does the Cross hockey team so the contest should be a natural.

This week marks the end of the raffle to supply funds for transportation and time on the indoor skating rinks during Christmas vacation. Since the ice sport has reverted to the informal level the team must find means of supporting itself. The A.A. has supplied the uniforms and equipment.

however, was good enough to play off for a berth in the N.C.A.A. tourney last year. They are reputed to be even better this season and so will provide one more tough hurdle for the Crusaders.

**DePaul Dangerous**

Last but not least on the hectic vacation schedule is DePaul University from Chicago. With George Mikan's 6 foot 8 brother out to carry on the tradition of the family name, DePaul is one of the most dangerous clubs in the Midwest. Their 71-61 victory last week over last year's N.C.A.A. finalists, Oklahoma, should give Cross supporters a pretty good idea of what they have to offer.

All in all, the Purple hoopsters will have their hands full for the next few weeks, but no one realizes it better than they, and they certainly aren't going out there with anything like overconfidence.

## DOLAN CRASHES SQUAD OVER EXPERIENCED SUBS

**Former Chicago All Catholic Hoopster Gains Varsity Status Despite Veteran Holdovers**

"Who's this Dolan that got 10 points?" asked the inquisitive Holy Cross basketball fan as he glanced over the box score of last Friday's 104-43 walloping of Willimantic.

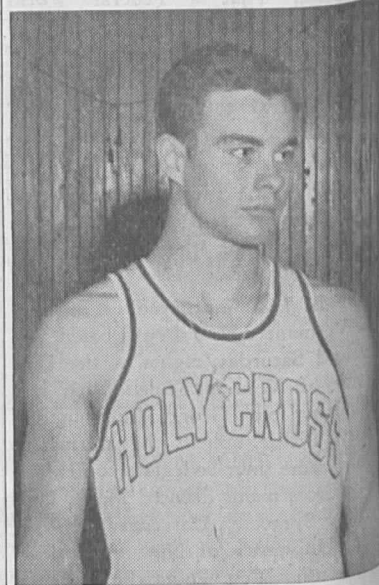
Well, "this Dolan", called "Bert" by his mates, is a five foot, ten inch, 160 pound Senior whose ability on a basketball floor is overshadowed by fellows like Joe Mullaney, George Kaftan and the eight other Crusader holdovers who play ahead of him. And the more you think about it the more you realize that playing eleventh man on the Holy Cross basketball team is no disgrace.

Using his right-handed jump shot as his chief weapon, Bert has tallied 14 points so far this season—ten against Willimantic and two apiece in the Valparaiso and Tufts games. When you consider that he has only a little more than ten minutes of game time to his credit, his scoring total becomes quite startling.

Born almost 23 years ago on the North (or Cubs) Side of Chicago, Ill., Bert played three years of Varsity basketball for Loyola Academy, captaining the squad in his Senior year. As a Junior he was picked for the All-Catholic team and also made the St. George All-Tournament team, along with Jack Kerris, now a star at Loyola U. (Chic.), and Gene Stump, George Mikan's scoring mate on DePaul's National Invitation Champions

of two years ago, now a member of the Boston Celtics.

During his Senior year at Loyola the Navy took Bert out of high school and he came to Holy Cross under the V-12 training program in January of



BURT DOLAN

1943. He played one game for the Purple at the tail end of the '42-'43 season and the next Winter became second highest scorer to George Connery.

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By JOHN BECKER, Sports Editor

## THREE DOWN:

The Holy Cross basketball team has played and won its first three contests, which is certainly an illuminating announcement with which to start off the week's work. In addition to this Doggie Julian's amazing gang of star dusters have now frolicked through 26 variations of organized opposition without mishap. And in addition to even this wonderful fact, the young and current season has seen the Purple average the astonishing point production of 83 digits per outing. But before you put your adding machine away, the old Wet Blanket here, must hasten to remind those who are interested, that, as wonderful as the first three games have been, the fact remains that our guys have yet to work up a sweat worthy of the name.

Tufts was a pretty fair small New England college team but when speaking of the overall National hoop picture, they are strictly in the long grass league. Valparaiso is traditionally famous for putting out pretty big teams for a pretty small school, and when they failed to come up to the Crusaders' shoe tops, one and all felt pretty good about it. The writer did also, until the other night when he read where Valpo had been jolted by some outfit named Sienna (apologies to upper N. Y. staters) which, it turns out, is something more than a little town in Italy. Which means perhaps that Valparaiso may not be up to snuff this year, at that. And then Willimantic Teachers . . . They had five lovely cheer leaders but not much of a basketball team and the record 104 points the Cross poured through the fish nets can hardly be used as a barometer of their true ability. However, you can be very sure that 104 points also doesn't seem to indicate that the Purple are either lame, halt, or blind, when it comes to this hoop business. They are good. No doubt about it but it will have to remain until after the two impending and important Ivy league tilts with Columbia and Dartmouth, and the Western swing against the toughest sort of competition, before we can determine just what the Champs chances are of retaining the National standard.

## CONTEST WITHIN A CONTEST:

Speaking of Willimantic brings to mind an interesting twist the game took in its late stages. With the Cross leading by some half a hundred points and a minute and one half to play, the bench suddenly seemed to realize that there was a chance of hitting the magic century figures for the first time in history. In came Oftring and Laska (the regulars had long since retired) and the Purple began to reapply the pressure. The Teachers also seemed to sense what was going on and went all out to keep it under a hundred. Suddenly a game that had long since been decided took on a new element of a contest and we witnessed the strange spectacle of a team nearly 60 points behind actually putting on the freeze! H. C. however was not to be denied with Matty Forman tapping in the hundredth and historic digits.

Columbia should provide that test we were talking about in the first paragraph. Bruce Gehrke, who will be in the Lions line up, played in another recent Holy Cross-Columbia contest, the memory of which should fire our guys to the heights . . . And how about getting a slightly larger gathering together for the Dartmouth game on Saturday . . .

## DOLAN CRASHES CAGE SQUAD

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turn to the Windy City for a stretch at Midshipman School. He was an Ensign by the time March of '45 rolled around and he furthered his Naval education in Miami, Fla. and Medford, R. I. Finally in August of '45, when the war was over, he was sent to the Philippine Islands where he remained until June of '46 when he returned home and was discharged.

The following September he was back on Mount St. James and although he did not play Varsity basketball here last year, he threw in 27 points with a club composed of Intramural stars against the JV to keep his presence felt around the campus.

This year, when the call went out for Varsity candidates, Bert responded and has moved slowly up the ladder to eleventh man. When you consider that eleventh man on Holy Cross is equal to first string on almost 75% of all the college fives in the country, you might easily label Bert Dolan a real find.

## "PLEASE FELLOWS, THESE GUYS ARE TOUGH!"



PHOTO BY JIM KEHOE, '51

Sad visaged Doggie Julian drives home a point concerning the Willimantic State Teachers between the halves of the game last Friday. Identifiable members of his attentive audience are: (clockwise) Curran, O'Shea, Dolan, Collins (behind Dolan), Cousy, McMullin, Bollinger, and Forman.

## Doggie Worried As Crusaders Head For Rugged Ivy, Western Opposition

Coach Finds No Joy in Purple's No. 2 Dunkel Rating; Shows 5 Opponents in Top Twenty

With the possible exception of the tree dwellers whose names grace the O'Kane bulletin board, the saddest man at Holy Cross today is Alvin Julian, the Coach of Basketball who is called "Doggie".

An altogether pleasant, likable, and smiling citizen for eight months of the year, Julian needs only to see the month of December roll around as it inevitably does once every year, and immediately his food ceases to agree with him, he sleeps little if at all, and life in general assumes a disquieting gloom for the man. This is all occasioned by the advent of the basketball season, the annual winter madness which is rapidly making a shambles of the nervous systems of its countless adherents. And what it does to the fans pales into insignificance beside the terrible and unjust havoc it wreaks upon poor Doggie who wouldn't hurt a fly.

At the moment he has in his charge just about the hottest thing to be found on the national basketball scene today, and the guy is beside himself. On Friday last, he took his lads down to Willimantic for a game with a team that would have had their troubles extending the immortal Jones Jr. High. On the way down, one would have thought Doggie was on his way to the death-house. Before the game the distraught Julian was plagued with memories of New Britain State Teachers, a third rate outfit who were supposed to have been a tourney tune-up for the Purple last March, and who very nearly socked it to the high riding Crusaders. This

time, thought Doggie, we might not be so lucky. "Did any of you think Walcott would do more than show up for the fight with Louis? He gave him quite a fight didn't he?" demanded Julian. Doggie then wiped a flood of cold perspiration from his brow and whipped out a sheaf of papers. He had scouted Willimantic State Teachers! After the Cross had assailed the teachers by 61 points, we hastened downstairs in hopes of catching the Coach in a smile. But once again, "It will take you a week to get back on your game" warned the harried coach.

In the athletic office this morning the writer saw the Coach wearing holes in the floor as he nervously paced around the joint. By way of innocent conversation this person interrupted, "Second in the country, eh Doggie. Not bad." The coach blanched, furrowed his brow, and held his head all in one motion. Quickly he seized a copy of the schedule. "Never mind that," he cried, "look at this, 4th in the country! 8th in the country! 11th in the country, 13th, 16th," he continued as he ran a quivering forefinger down the list of opponents stopping beside such names as N. C. State, St. Louis, Loyola, Temple, Georgetown, etc. "Why, do you know according to the latest Dunkel ratings, the Holy Cross opponents have the highest aggregate rating of any team in the country. What a schedule! Look at Yale. Hop

says that new coach down there is a wonder. So and so is eligible at Harvard. Good ball player." Someone mentioned that Columbia's Gehrke hadn't left for the East-West football game yet, and would face the Purple on Wednesday. This was too much. Doggie had to sit down now.

Your scribe's heart went out. This guy wasn't kidding. He was petrified! "Great Hevvings" I thought, "we haven't got a chance!" The man affects you that way. In ten minutes he had me convinced. All kidding aside, Doggie knows what he is talking about. Holy Cross has a job on its hands and Doggie knows it but he can't convince anybody of the fact. This then is to say that this person is convinced. You might smile at the fact that Willimantic was scouted but that's just the way the Basketball Coach does business. He's not taking a chance with anyone and when you think it over, that's nothing to laugh at, at that.

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## THE EMPTY CHAIR

By GERRY MARTEL and DAVE MANAHAN

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Anyone who claims Worcester isn't crowded these days should talk to Brooklyn Bill McDonald who went to town and tried on three suits before he found out he was still on the bus.

### The Cycle of a Joke—

Birth: A freshman thinks it up and laughs aloud waking up the two upperclassmen in the back row.

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A student who lives here in Worcester is reading much more than he ucester. He's filled up his closet With reprints from Grosset And acrostics from Simon and Schuster.

There's quite a good act out at the Mours this week. At the end of her dance the lady dancer leans over backwards and picks up her handkerchief with her teeth. For an encore she picks up her teeth.

Whoever does get the coaching job will be on equal footing with the President. They'll both have the power of VETO.

### Vignette

Just as the New York train was pulling out of Palmer, a young man threw his bag on the observation plat-

form and swung himself over the handrail. He stood panting but triumphant as the train gathered speed. An elderly party on the platform observed him with some scorn. "You young fellows don't keep yourself in condition, he snorted. "Look at how done in you are! Why, when I was your age, I could carry a cup of coffee in one hand, run half a mile, catch the 8:15 by the skin of my teeth and still be fresh as a daisy." "You don't understand, pop," puffed the young man. "I'm a Holy Cross student. I missed this train at Worcester."

Armand Perrault's Christmas gift suggestion. He's giving his girl a year's subscription to "Le Croise". P.S. He doesn't like her too much, anyway.

Dear Santa—

On behalf of the "boys" here at Holy Cross, please give

Art Fair—Ed Clasby's autograph.

Bill Collins—a book on how to hold hands "properly".

Dick Jackson—a pair of roller skates so he can get around faster.

Henry Heffernan—a new racket—besides tennis.

"Umpire" Joe Allietta—an anti-pop bottle helmet to wear with that black suit—just in case he calls one the wrong way.

Ralph Mallozzi—An alarm-clock with a real loud bell.

Jack Hopkins—a new hat.

Bob Phelan—a red golf ball so he can play all winter.

Mouse O'Leary—an olympic bid.

Joe Mullaney—a book by Ring Lardner.

Ed Lynch—true love.

B. C. Students—more red blood and less red paint.

To everyone—the Merriest of Christmases and the Happiest of New Years.

—Gerry and Dave.

## Christmas Gifts

Miniature Compact	\$2.75
Tiny Tim	1.50
Glass Ash Tray	.75
Junior Crusader "T" Shirt	.90
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### FROSH DEBATING

New York state defended by three members of the Freshman Debating Society theoretically emerged the better state over Massachusetts on last Wednesday evening.

Tonight a business meeting will be conducted in Room 22, Alumni when officers for the society will be elected.